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Tennessee Regulatory Authority
Attn: Sharla Dillon
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Re: Triennial Review Order - 9 Month Proceeding - Loop & Transport; Docket No. 03-00527

Dear Ms. Dillon:

Enclosed for filing please find the original and fifteen (15) copies of the Petition of KMC III, Inc. for Leave to Intervene in the above-referenced matter. My check in the amount of \$25.00 in payment of the filing fee is also enclosed.

Please return one date stamped copy of the petition in the self-addressed, stamped envelope also enclosed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions or if we need to discuss this.

Sincerely,



H. LaDon Baltimore
Ben Lomand Communications, Inc.

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Enclosures

cc: Guy Hicks, Esq.
Henry Walker, Esq.

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

IN RE:	TRIENNIAL REVIEW)	
	ORDER - 9 MONTH)	DOCKET NO. 03-00527
	PROCEEDING-)	
	LOOP & TRANSPORT)	

**PETITION OF KMC TELECOM III, INC.
FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE**

KMC Telecom III, Inc. (KMC III), pursuant to T.C.A. §4-5-310, petitions the Tennessee Regulatory Authority to grant it leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding and to participate as its interests may appear, and for grounds state that:

1. KMC III is a Delaware corporation which is wholly-owned subsidiary of KMC Telecom Holdings, Inc., a publicly-held Delaware corporation. KMC III is duly qualified to do business in Tennessee and holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing it to provide interLATA, interexchange telecommunications services and to operate as a Competing Telecommunications Service Provider in intrastate commerce in the State of Tennessee.
2. The legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities, or other legal interests of KMC III will be affected or determined by the outcome of this proceeding.
3. The participation of KMC III will not impair the interest of justice or the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceeding.
4. KMC III seeks to intervene and participate as its interests may appear.

Premises considered, the Petitioner prays that:

1. An order be entered allowing KMC III to intervene and participate in this proceeding as its interests may appear and to receive copies of any notices, orders, or other documents that are filed herein; and
2. The Petitioner have such other, further, and general relief as the justice of this cause may entitle it to receive.

Respectfully submitted,



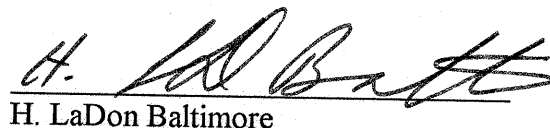
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Certificate of Service

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been forwarded via U. S. Mail, first class postage prepaid, to the following, this 9th day of October, 2003.

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